

Appl. No. 09/602,477
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REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has noted that claims 2-4 are allowed.

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. patent 5,714,195 to Shiba et al (Shiba). Applicants respectfully traverse.

The Examiner's position is that since Shiba shows an ink-jet head, and that the ink-jet head is not a laser, that therefore the relative position of the laser and ink jet unit is variable.

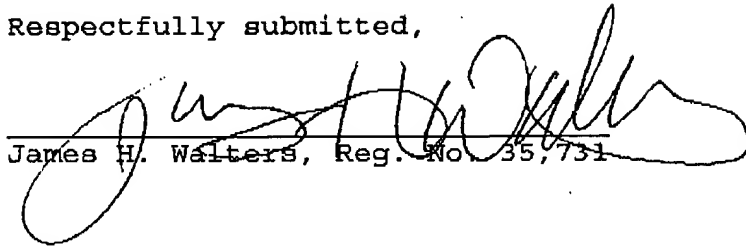
However, applicants respectfully note that Shiba is quite vague as to how and where the laser comes into the process of correction. A laser is mentioned, but there is no indication that the laser would be provided in the same device unit together with the ink-jet unit. Applicants' claim 1 includes that the laser and ink-jet units are provided together as a unit, reciting "providing a laser irradiation unit and an ink jet unit together in movable relation to a color filter". Therefore, the laser and ink jet unit can be positioned above the x-y stage simultaneously and can be moved into position as needed. It is respectfully submitted that such a configuration is neither shown nor suggested by Shiba. Accordingly, claim 1 is respectfully believed to be allowable.

In light of the above noted amendments and remarks, this application is believed in condition for allowance and notice thereof is respectfully requested. The Examiner is asked to

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contact applicants' attorney at 503-224-0115 if there are any questions.

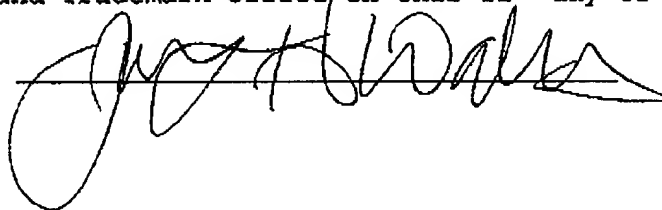
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